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Docket No.: 0769-4582US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

BAHAR et al.

Serial No.: 09/209,932

Filed on: July 8, 1998

For: ULTRA-THIN INTEGRAL COMPOSITE MEMBRANE

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: B. Copenheaver

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

We respond to the January 21, 2000 office action. The applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time, and a separate petition to that effect is filed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

| 99. (once amended) An integral air impermeable composite membrane comprising:
| a polymeric support having a microstructure of micropores, said microstructure defining a
| porosity in the range of about 70% to 98% within said polymeric support,

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